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10. (Amended) A method for detecting a cellular proliferative disorder associated with APOB, CACNA1G, CDX2, EGFR, FBNI, GPR37, HSPA6, IQGAP2, KL, PAR2, PITX2, PTCH, SDC1 or SDC4 in a subject comprising:
- a) contacting a nucleic acid-containing specimen from the subject with an agent that provides a determination of the methylation state of at least one gene or associated regulatory region of the gene;  
wherein the gene is selected from the group consisting of APOB, CACNA1G, CDX2, EGFR, FBNI, GPR37, HSPA6, IQGAP2, KL, PAR2, PITX2, PTCH, SDC1, SDC4 and combinations thereof and
  - b) identifying aberrant methylation of regions of the gene or regulatory region, wherein aberrant methylation is identified as being different when compared to the same regions of the gene or associated regulatory region in a subject not having said cellular proliferative disorder, thereby detecting a cellular proliferative disorder in the subject.

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21. (Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the primer pair is selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:1 and 2, SEQ ID NO:3 and 4, SEQ ID NO:5 and 6, SEQ ID NO:7 and 8, SEQ ID NO:9 and 10, SEQ ID NO:11 and 12, SEQ ID NO:13 and 14, SEQ ID NO:15 and 16, SEQ ID NO:17 and 18, SEQ ID NO:19 and 20, SEQ ID NO:21 and 22, SEQ ID NO:23 and 24, SEQ ID NO:25 and 26, SEQ ID NO:27 and 28, SEQ ID NO:29 and 30, SEQ ID NO:31 and 32, SEQ ID NO:33 and 34, SEQ ID NO:35 and 36, SEQ ID NO:37 and 38, SEQ ID NO:39 and 40, SEQ ID NO:41 and 42, SEQ ID NO:43 and 44, SEQ ID NO:45 and 46, SEQ ID NO:47 and 48, and SEQ ID NO:49 and 50.